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PATENT APPLICATION

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of:)	
SHIN-ICHI HASHIMOTO, ET AL.	:	Examiner: Mohammad Y. Meah, Ph.D.
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Application No.: 10/590,705	:	Group Art Unit: 1652
)	
Filed: June 14, 2007	:	Confirmation No. 8726
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For: PROCESS FOR PRODUCING	:	
AMINO ACIDS)	
	:	February 24, 2011

Commissioner for Patents
P.O. Box 1450
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

Sir:

Prior to action on the merits, please amend the above-identified application
as follows: